

# ASSOCIATION OF BAY AREA GOVERNMENTS

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Representing City and County Governments of the San Francisco Bay Area



ABAG

June 30, 2008

To: ABAG Executive Board

From: Judy Kelly, Director   
San Francisco Estuary Project

Re: **Authorization to Amend Agreement with US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)**

The San Francisco Estuary Project (SFEP) is one of 28 programs mandated under Section 320: National Estuary Program (NEP) of the Clean Water Act. The US Congress appropriates funds each year for the NEP to be distributed through EPA. The funds are allocated equally to the 28 programs, for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2008 each program will receive \$ 591,750.

The Executive Board is requested to authorize the Executive Director or designee to amend the cooperative agreement with EPA on behalf of the San Francisco Estuary Project to provide technical, public involvement and administrative support in implementing the Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan (CCMP). The agreement term will be extended to December 31, 2009.

A total match of \$ 591,750 is required. ABAG will provide \$15,000 in-kind services and the State Water Resources Control Board will provide \$576,750 through three ABAG/SFEP/SWRCB grants: 1) the Wetland Design and Management Options for Control of Mercury Project; 2) the Strategy for Resolving Methyl Mercury and Low Dissolved Oxygen Events in Northern Suisun Marsh Project; 3) TMDL Outreach and Support.

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